

February 19th. 1896

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My Dearest Claire,

I received the
german letter today
from dear old Frau Hickey
Bless her dear heart
I shall answer it without
assistance, in my most
awful dutch, I expect
they will give it up in
despair and request me
to write in English next
time. The musical
was grand today,

I did not get back
until 6.30 P.M.

I could not help
planning to myself, how
we would do such things
when we are able.

I have been building
castles in the air
this evening, that is
one of my lazy habits
but a source of great
pleasure. Goodnight,
your loving Grace.

Thursday Morning

My love

Breakfast over
and have just read the
sweetest letter that you

Then you get mistaken me — I am
so glad, darling, that he thought of
me comfort you when you are in
pain — I can only say it is good
as with me — Alas that dear little
head — how I should love to stroke &
soothe it — Oh, dear, a sweet
thin good morning for it day —
I am always, and for ever,

Yours
Daddy

Received letter from
Alf & Will this
morning - I will write
Alfred very soon.



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